8.2 The Just War Theory and the Treatment of Prisoners: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions.

1 Which one of the following best describes the jus in bello principle of discrimination, in the context of the treatment of prisoners and civilians during armed conflict?

- ☐ A. Treat all captured people the same regardless of whether they were combatants or civilians
- ☐ B. Use weapons that cause maximum damage to enemy infrastructure
- ☐ C. Distinguish between combatants and non-combatants and avoid intentionally targeting civilians
- ☐ D. Require prisoners to give military information under threat

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

2 State one international body often involved in monitoring the treatment of prisoners of war, in the context of Theme D.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

3 Give three ways a Muslim community or state might act to ensure prisoners of war are treated according to Islamic teaching, in the Theme D context.

(Total for Question 3 is 3 marks)

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4 Give two ways, in the context of jus in bello for Theme D, that combatants captured in war should be treated humanely.

(Total for Question 4 is 2 marks)

5 Give three practical steps a military unit could take to improve compliance with jus in bello rules about prisoners, in the Theme D context.

(Total for Question 5 is 3 marks)

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Question 1

selecting option C, discrimination means distinguishing between combatants and non-combatants and avoiding intentional attack on civilians, cao **B1**

Answer: C

Question 2

the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), oe **B1**

Answer: The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

Question 3

release prisoners for ransom or kindness as allowed in early Islamic practice, oe **B1**

feed and clothe prisoners and give them medical care, oe **B1**

treat prisoners with dignity and avoid torture, reflecting prophetic example, oe **B1**

Answer: Release prisoners for ransom or kindness; provide food, clothing and medical care; treat prisoners with dignity and avoid torture.

Question 4

they should not be tortured while detained, oe **B1**

they should be given food, shelter and medical care, oe **B1**

Answer: Do not torture prisoners; provide food, shelter and medical care.

Question 5

provide regular training on international humanitarian law and rules of engagement, oe **B1**

establish clear command accountability and monitoring during operations, oe **B1**

allow neutral organisations access to detainees and set up independent investigation procedures, oe **B1**

Answer: Train troops in humanitarian law; set clear command accountability and monitoring; allow neutral organisation access and independent investigations.

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